

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 42

WHEREAS, The Senate of the State of Texas is pleased to recognize Reverend L. David Punch on the occasion of his second anniversary as pastor of Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Houston; and

WHEREAS, L. David Punch is the eighth pastor of the Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church, a historic 123-year-old church located in the Third Ward of Houston; and

WHEREAS, During his two years as the church's shepherd, Pastor Punch has become noted for his vivacious manner and missionary zeal and for his meaningful and effective leadership; and

WHEREAS, Dedicated to helping others, this beloved pastor has been a source of strength to his church members during their hardships, and his guidance has brought them enlightenment and hope; and

WHEREAS, A well-known community leader, Pastor Punch serves as president of Re-Ward Third, Incorporated, as cochair of Spirituality Thread of the Third Ward Community Cloth Cooperative, and as associate director of the Alice M. Sidney Education Foundation Corporation; and

WHEREAS, The congregation of Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church is joyfully celebrating the second anniversary of Pastor Punch's outstanding leadership on February 13, 2005; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Senate of the State of Texas, 79th Legislature, hereby join the members of Greater Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Houston in commending Reverend L. David Punch for his dedicated service to the church, his fellow man, and the community; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be prepared for him as an expression of esteem from the Texas Senate.

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President of the Senate

I hereby certify that the above Resolution was adopted by the Senate on January 25, 2005.

Secretary of the Senate

Member, Texas Senate